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BOX AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2002.

COMMENTS

Claims 1-15 (and apparently claims 16 and 17) and 19-21 have been rejected under 35 USC102(e) as anticipated by Bennett (U.S., Patents Nos. 6,089,977 and 6,251,013).

Claim 18 has been rejected under 35 USC103(a) as anticipated by Bennett (U.S., Patents Nos. 6,089,977 and 6,251,013).

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend page 1, lines 18ff as follows:

Wagering games, including wagering games for casino play, with multiple wagering opportunities are known. U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,861,041 and [5,087,405] 5,078,405 (both to Jones et al.) disclose methods and apparatus for progressive jackpot gaming, respectively. The former patent discloses that a player may make an additional wager at the beginning of a hand, the outcome of the additional wager being determined by of a predetermined arrangement of cards in the player's hand. U.S. Pat. No. 4,836,553 (to Suttle and Jones) discloses a modified version of